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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE HANDED TO ME BY
FOREIGN MINISTER ONDOGA ON NOVEMBER 8. BEGIN TEXT.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC
OF UGANDA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAS THE HONOUR TO EXPRESS
TO THE LATTER ITS MOST SERIOUS CONCERN OVER THE
SECURITY OF UGANDA'S MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

UGANDA'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED
NATIONS AND HIS STAFF HAVE REPEATEDLY BEEN VICTIMS OF
THREATS AND ALL KINDS OF HARASSMENT. THESE THREATS HAVE
EVEN CULMINATED INTO CONCRETE ACTS OF CRIME WHEN THE
RESIDENCE OF UGANDA'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE
UNITED NATIONS HAS BEEN BROKEN INTO TWICE.

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UGANDA VIEWS THESE LATEST ACTS OF BURGLARY AS A RESULT

OF THE FAILURE ON THE PART OF UNITED STATES' AUTHORITY TO HONOUR ARTICLES 29 AND 30 (PARAGRAPH 1) OF THE VIENNA CONVENTION WHICH STIPULATES THE DUTY OF THE HOST-COUNTRY IN PROTECTING THE PERSON AND PROPERTY OF FOREIGN DIPLOMATS. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REQUESTS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO PROVIDE STRICTER PROTECTION FOR ALL UGANDA'S REPRESENTATIVES RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES. IT IS THE MINISTRY'S VIEW THAT THE UNITED STATES' SECURITY FORCES ARE IN A POSITION TO GIVE FULL PROTECTION TO ITS FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES. IT IS THEREFORE THE MINISTRY'S HOPE THAT THESE DISGRACEFUL ACTS WILL COME TO AN END IMMEDIATELY, AS A REPETITION OF SUCH ACTS WOULD BE REGARDED AS A DELIBERATE FAILURE ON THE PART OF UNITED STATES TO HONOUR THE ABOVE QUOTED ARTICLES OF THE VIENNA CONVENTION.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDAN AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

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